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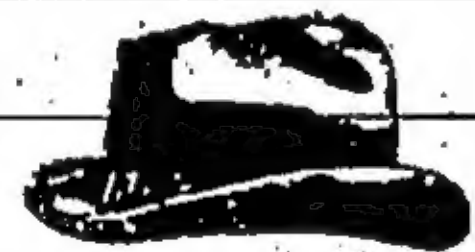
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GREEK EXECUTION QUERIES.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S PROTESTS.

ERSKINE CHILDERS PARALLEL.

LONDON, November 30.

In the course of discussion of the Greek executions in the House of Commons yesterday, it was suggested that letters from British ministers existed, proving the British government's encouragement of the executed ministers' campaign in Asia Minor.

The Manchester Guardian's Lausanne Correspondent states that M. Venizelos, throughout, resisted British suggestions that he should intervene in Athens to prevent the executions which he considered were justified. He absented himself from the conference yesterday because the executions had adversely affected Greece's prospects at the conference.

The question of his resignation from the conference is still undecided, but if it eventuates it will have nothing to do with the executions.

COMMONS LAUGH.

LONDON, November 30.

The subject of British representations to prevent the Greek executions was again raised in the House of Commons to-day, when Mr. Bonar Law, after replying that the Government had not taken a similar step in the case of Erskine Childers, stated that the Government withdrew its representative from Greece because it was actuated by a general consideration. It was contrary to the practice of civilized governments to put to death outgoing ministers on account of the failure of their policy. (Loud Laughter.)

GENERAL ARRESTED.

ATHENS, November 30.

Generals Papoulas, Doumanis and Yalietas have been arrested.

REPARATION CONFERENCE.

USUAL PRELIMINARY MEETING.

LONDON, November 30.

A meeting of the British, French, Italian and Belgian Premiers, with a view to reaching a common policy as regards the impending Brussels reparations conference, has been fixed for London on December 9. The discussion will centre round France's new reparations proposals and inter-Allied war-debts.

French papers declare that the Brussels conference must be cancelled if the Allies do not reach preliminary agreement.

RAILWAY CHARGES DOWN.

RAW MATERIAL RATES.

LONDON, November 30.

The railways announce a reduction in the rates for raw materials used in making iron and steel. The new rates vary from a shilling to eight shillings a ton above the pre-war levels.

ARMS AND BOMBS

DUBLIN MEN EXECUTED.

LONDON, November 30.

The Army Headquarters in Dublin announce that three Dublin men were executed this morning, one for having possession of a revolver and two for having possession of bombs.

M.C.C.'S AFRICAN TOUR.

CONCLUSIVE VICTORY.

QUEENSTOWN, November 30.

Marylebone scored 242, Jupp made 89. The North Eastern Provincials scored 44. Fender took four wickets for two runs. Marylebone won by an innings and 145 runs.

"THE TEMPEST"

Why is Shakespeare so careful to allude to the time of day in this play? At the beginning Prospero tells us that it is "Past the mid season. At least two glasses," (which doesn't mean two meridians as Sir Walter Scott used to call his "elevenes"), and at the end we are told it is past the "Sixth hour." Did Shakespeare want to show the academic critics that although he was a Romantic dramatist he could, if he would, write within their much respected, so-called classical Unity of Time? Booking is now open at Moutrie's for the A. D. C.'s production.

ROBBERS' SUBTERFUGE.

ONE CENT ORDER AND ITS SEQUEL.

Armed robbers raided a grocer's shop on the ground floor of No. 438, Redamation Street, Mongkok, last night. They stole jewellery and money worth \$182.

Wong Wing, the master of the shop was sitting behind the counter about 9.15 p.m., when a man entered to purchase a cent's worth of flour. While this man was being served, another man entered and covered the shop master with a revolver. Simultaneously, three other men, also

FRANCE'S RUHR THREAT.

AMERICAN RHINE TROOPS REMAIN.

"OWING TO IMPORTANT REASONS"

New York, November 30.

The State Department has announced that in spite of the wish of the Government to bring back American troops from the Rhine, they will remain there for the present "owing to important reasons" connected with foreign affairs.

The announcement is read here in connection with decisions relating to the Ruhr reported from Paris which the French Embassy at Washington has officially denied.

AMSTERDAM BOURSE.

FOREIGNERS BARRED.

AMSTERDAM, November 30.

The Stockbrokers' Association has decided almost unanimously not to admit foreign traders and bankers to the Bourse.

EGYPTIAN MINISTRY RESIGNS.

ZAGLULIST INFLUENCE STRONG.

CAIRO, November 30.

The Sarwat Pasha ministry has resigned, apparently owing to a difference with the King who recently openly manifested Zaglulist sympathies.

Tewfik Nassim Pasha, former Premier and head of the King's Cabinet, who is believed to be supported by the Zaglulists, is forming a new cabinet.

WASHINGTON AGREEMENT.

WARSHIP SCRAPPING DELAYED.

WASHINGTON, November 30.

The State Department points out that so far as the United States Government is aware, no country signatory to the Washington treaty has begun scrapping warships.

The State Department declares the United States has no authority to comply with the terms of the treaty beyond suspending construction of new ships.

SMALL POX.

HOME EPIDEMIC.

LONDON, November 30.

It was announced in the House of Commons that up to the present 393 cases of small pox have occurred, 57 in districts outside London and seven in London boroughs.

FRENCH WHARF FIRE.

"KHYBER" NOT DAMAGED.

LONDON, December 1.

It has been ascertained that the P. & O. steamer "Khyber" was not damaged in the Marseilles fire on November 29.

NEW AUSTRIAN LOAN.

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VIENNA, November 30.

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SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN THE "MAIL."

ENTERTAINMENTS.

December 1.—Coronet Theatre; Edith Gish in "The Fatal Marriage," World Theatre; Geraldine Farrar in "The World And Its Women," Kowloon Theatre; "The Old Swimming Hole" Booking opens to-day of the A.D.C. Xmas Production of Shakespeare's "Tempest." December 2.—Theatre Royal; Pavlova "Amarilla" and "Chopiniana." December 4.—"Enchanted Lake" and "Fairy Doll." December 5.—Theatre Royal; "Coppelia" and "Snowflakes." December 6.—Theatre Royal; "The Magic Flute" and "Autumn Leaves." December 7.—Theatre Royal; "Polish Wedding" and "Flora's Awakening." December 26.—January 2.—Theatre Royal; "The Tempest."

SPORTING EVENTS.

December 1.—Theatre Royal; Boxing Tournament, Main event, 9.15 p.m.
December 10.—Golf Match, Eng. and V. Scotland at Fanning.
December 23.—Theatre Royal; Next Boxing Tournament.
January 27.—Theatre Royal; Boxing Tournament.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALES.

December 2.—Hughes and Hough; a consignment of valuable jewellery, Sales Rooms, 10.45 a.m.
December 4.—Crown Land Sales, P.W.D. offices 3 p.m.
December 4.—Hughes and Hough; Government auction No. 7, Sales Rooms, 11 a.m.
December 5.—Hughes and Hough; teakwood and blackwood furniture etc., Sales, Rooms, 2.30 p.m.
December 8.—Lammert Bros.; belting, copper wire electric chandeliers etc., China Provident Coy's godown, Kennedy Town, 11 a.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

December 5.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Coy., extraordinary general meeting, noon.
December 22.—Hongkong Canton Macao Steamship Coy., extraordinary general meeting, noon.
December 14.—Lita, Light and Power Coy., (1918) Ltd., extraordinary general meeting, 11 a.m.

West Surrey Church people decided that the (sari-church of Holy Trinity, Guildford) could be the Pro-Cathedral for the proposed new diocese of Guildford. It was also agreed that the diocese should be named after the responsibility of Eborac Castle, the episcopal palace of the diocese of Winchester for more than 1,000 years.

Nurse Hilda Mowbray of Elm Grove, Wauchoy, Lincolnshire informs The Daily Mail that she has since 1918 a M. entitled "Gentlemen at Arms," written by a wounded soldier in the 5th Northern General Hospital, Leicester and bearing the name R. Lewis, and she would like to return it to the author or his next-of-kin.

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NATIONAL MEMORIAL.

DESCRIPTION OF SHRINE TO FALLEN SCOTSMEN.

In accordance with the instructions issued by the Committee of the Scottish National War Memorial, the architect—Sir Robert Lorimer A.R.A., R.S.A.—has prepared a model to the scale of 1 in. to the foot showing his proposal and embodying the minor alterations suggested by the Committee after consultation with the Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland and the Office of Works more than a year ago.

The model was shown unofficially to the King and Queen at Holyrood Palace and it is understood that it will soon be exhibited to the public in Edinburgh.

It may be recalled that the complete plan as originally proposed included the internal alteration of some of the existing buildings on the Castle rock to adapt them for museum purposes. The portion of the scheme has been meantime put aside. The Committee have concentrated entirely on the War Memorial Shrine and the Gallery of Regiments.

GALLERY OF REGIMENTS. Since the original sketches were prepared the design has not been materially altered, but the open cloister first suggested has been changed into a Gallery of Regiments. This Gallery of Regiments will form the ante-chamber to the Shrine itself.

Each side of a central vaulted gallery will be divided up into deeply recessed bays. Each bay will be lit by two windows, and there will be ample side wall space for regimental memorials—one window and one space of wall being allocated to each of the Scottish regiments. The Navy will bear the east end and the Air Force at the west. The Colonies, women's services, &c., will also have the bays allocated to them. On the piers between the bays on each side of the gallery the colours of the various regiments will be grouped.

IMPRESSIVE SCULPTURE. From the centre of this gallery the Shrine itself will be entered. The building will be octagonal in plan, and seven of the sides will contain large stained glass windows, for which an appropriate and finely imagined series of subjects is being worked out. In the bay opposite the entrance there will be no window but a recessed arch of considerable depth and of lofty proportion. In this recess there will be an impressive group of sculpture in bronze, consisting of soldiers and sailors with bowed heads bearing one of their comrades on a bier. On the severely simple pedestal carrying this group will be carved the words

from Ecclesiastes:—"Then shall the dust return to the Earth as it was, and the Spirit shall return unto God who gave it."

High above this group—more or less in shadow—standing on a corbel on the back wall of the recess, will be the figure of a herald angel, bearing in one hand a banner and in the other a trumpet. This figure will be in armour, carried out in gilded metal, and the face and hands will be of carved ivory.

SCENES OF WAR.

Under the great series of windows there will be a frieze of lettering, and below this frieze large sculptured panels in very low relief illustrating typical scenes in the different theatres of war. Underneath these panels comes a space of plain wall, and then a stone seat worked in as part of the structure and raised upon a step. The material for the floor itself will probably be the beautiful grey-green granite from Aika Craig.

From the centre of the floor will emerge the outcrop of the Castle rock, and placed on this will be the Golden Book, containing the names of the 100,000 of Scotland's sons whose bones lie scattered over half the world, and to whose memory this Shrine is to be raised at the very core of Scotland's heart.

EXTERIOR TREATMENT.

Such, briefly, is the interior treatment. As regards the exterior, its treatment has not been radically altered from the first sketches but has been developed. For this purpose the rough sketch model that has been prepared has been valuable. A building such as this cannot be entirely worked out from drawings. As the model has been built up, so the design has been developed in the round. The spread of the buttresses has been increased; the proportions generally have been overhauled, and all conventional architectural trimmings have been eliminated. Between the buttresses in the centre of each bay and high above the windows niches have been introduced. In three it is intended to carve figures of the Virtues—Patience, Courage, Charity, &c.—and worked on the underside of the corbels on which the figure stands—carved underfoot as it were—will be carved the Vices. Above entrance door which leads into the Gallery of Regiments and thence into the Shrine will stand a figure of Destiny brooding over the mystery of the world.

It is stated that most of the funds necessary for the structural work have now been secured, but donors are being invited to provide money for specific features of the interior and exterior decoration to complete the work.

GRIM MURDER STORY.

NUREMBERG POTTERS' TERRIBLE CRIME.

Nuremberg, which one naturally associates with the most romantic period of Germany's past, has been the scene of a murder as black in its sordidness as any of the many callous crimes committed in Berlin since the end of the war. It was reported to the police of the picturesque old town that a wealthy Dutch merchant named Engelmann had been missing for several days from his hotel. He was known to have had business dealings with a small porcelain factory, and it was learnt that he had been seen near it on the day of his disappearance. A search of the pottery brought to light an axe and scraps of clothing stained with blood, while an examination of the ashes in an oven revealed charred fragments of bone. On this evidence the police arrested the two partners in the business—a potter, Christian Lederer, and a porcelain painter, Fritz Menzel. A packet which the latter had given into the safe keeping of a friend proved to contain Engelmann's gold watch and chain, ring, and a pocket-book. In face of this proof Menzel thought it best to make a full confession.

He said that the pottery was in serious financial difficulties, from which the owners hoped to extricate it with the help of a big order from Engelmann. The Dutchman, who for three weeks, had been discussing the contract, finally, however began to cool off, and the partners in the pottery decided that the surest way to get his money into their hands was to kill him. On some pretext they inveigled him into the pottery. As soon as he entered, Lederer locked the door behind him, and Menzel felled him with a heavy hammer. He was then gagged, dragged into the back room, and despatched with stabs in the heart. The body was afterwards dismembered with an axe, the limbs were burnt, and the head and trunk, which were too large for the furnace door, carried away in sacks and buried in waste ground.

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HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

1st TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

TO-DAY

(FRIDAY) December 1st, at 9.15 p.m.

AT THE

THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENT.

15 Rounds Contest for the Welter-weight Championship and "Daily Press" Belt.

Stoker P. O. MORGAN v. A. B. DIXON

H.M.S. Hawkins H.M.S. Cicada

also

10 Rounds Lightweight Contest

Pte. FLYNER v. A. B. SERMAN

The King's Regt. H.M.S. Despatch

10 Rounds Welterweight Contest

Leading Stoker

HECTOR v. Sgt. TRIBE,

H.M.S. Durban R.G.A.

and three 6 Round Contests.

BOOKING at MOUTRIE'S.—Members

November 28th.

General Public from November 20th.

Next Tournaments. Saturdays.

December 23rd and January 27th

at the Theatre Royal.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

AN EXTRA GYMKHANA

MEETING will be held (weather

permitting) at Happy Valley, on

SATURDAY, December 2nd, com-

mencing at 2.45 p.m.

The Charge for admission to the

Public Enclosure will be 81.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half

price.

Members are advised that they must

show their Gymkhana Season tickets

to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right of

introducing 2 non-members to the

enclosure, tickets for whom can be

obtained from the Secretary at 85

each up to Friday, 1st December.

The Stewards invite the Ladies of

Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, November 27, 1922.

RE "SUI AN" PIRACY.

TO ALL TO WHOM IT MAY

CONCERN:

It is the intention of us the

undersigned THE HONGKONG

CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT

COMPANY, LIMITED, to prefer in

due course a claim against the

Chinese Government through the

proper British Authority for the

losses sustained by us in connection

with the Piracy which took place on

the above Ship on the 19th November

1922, and we shall therefore be

prepared to receive and put forward

with our above mentioned claim,

claims, (which should be made out

in detail) by any persons who were

on board the above Ship when the

said Piracy took place and who may

desire us to do so.

Dated this 29th day of November,

1922.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD,

Secretary.

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Dancing 9 p.m.

ITALIAN CONVENT.

ANNUAL BAZAAR.

SATURDAY,

December 2nd.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

THE COMMITTEE has decided the

following shall be the Settle-

ment Days for the year 1923:—

Thursday 25th January

Monday 26th February

Tuesday 27th March

Thursday 28th April

Monday 28th May

Tuesday 26th June

Friday 27th July

Monday 27th August

Thursday 27th September

Friday 26th October

Tuesday 27th November

Thursday 20th December

By Order of the Committee

J. W. KEW,

Secretary,

Hongkong, November 28, 1922.

NOTICE.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED,

announces the removal of their

Office from No. 2 Queen's Road

Central, to No. 6 Queen's Road Cen-

tral, on the 27th November, 1922.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

MR. WALTER J. HAWKER.

AGENTS has been appointed

Secretary of the above Company,

as from 1st December, 1922.

By Order of the Board,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

Chairman.

Hongkong, November 30, 1922.

NEWS FROM THE OLD COUNTRY.

Send us a copy of any British Weekly News-

paper, such as: "The Times," "The Daily Mail,"

"The Standard," "The Morning Post," "The

"Daily Express," "The Daily Telegraph," "The

"Daily News," "The Daily Worker," "The

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DEATH.

GURBAY—Gubbay, Raphael Aaron, late Exchange Broker, Hongkong, died at sea on board the s.s. "Nagasaki Maru" on November 27.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DEC. 1, 1932.

SHOOTING MINISTERS.

Almost every international political conference Europe has seen since the war has had its own special little sensation thoughtfully provided by one of the interested nations—sometimes by two, the Russo-German agreement which startled Genoa, for example. And now Lausanne has been outraged by the Greek executions, "barbarous action" which has caused Britain to withdraw her Minister from Athens. Whether the Allies were more shocked by the indecent haste with which the sentences were carried out or by the principle involved was not at first clear, but this afternoon's cables now show that Britain, anyway, condemns the executions on a "general consideration." It was contrary to the practice of civilized countries, said Mr. Bolar Law in the House of Commons, to put to death outgoing ministers on account of the failure of their policy. And then the Commons laughed loudly.

Because the Commons laughed, it does not follow they saw anything grinningly comical in Ministers escaping speedy execution for grave mistakes or deliberate folly. Rather, with a British Ministry just thrown out of office, Mr. Bonar Law's statement may have struck them as ironical. The Greek executions involve no great international issues; they were simply domestic political. Revenge, rather than vindication of a principle, appears to have been the motive. The faces exacted from the dead men's estates give strong colour to this view. Any nation disliking

another's methods is entitled to withdraw her Minister if she desires. Britain's action in this respect, then, was quite normal and quite dignified. But Mr. Bonar Law's stand for a principle will only bring ridicule upon the nation. Has he forgotten the "Hang the Kaiser" agitation?

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A clean bill of health was returned for the Colony yesterday.

A Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Company has arrived at Singapore a very successful tour of India.

The Supply Enactment to make financial provision for the F.M.S. public service for the year 1932, provides for a sum of \$58,979,309.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China Light and Power (1918) Co. was held on December 14, at 11 a.m.

Signorina Ambrosio, the famous soprano, accompanied by Maestro Paci, has just arrived in Singapore from the Scala, Milan, on a tour of the Far East.

To-day is the anniversary of Queen Alexandra's birthday. The warships in the harbour are displaying bunting and the usual salute was fired this morning.

The local American community celebrated Thanksgiving Day quietly yesterday. The United States consulate and most of the American steamship companies closed down for the day.

The *Geylon Observer* learns that Government has issued a circular stabilising the rates of exchange at which Government officers may make sterling remittance in England for private purposes.

Mrs. Lan-fang, the celebrated Chinese actor from Peking who has been performing in Hongkong for more than a month, left for Shanghai with his troupe by the "Empress of Russia" yesterday.

A Chinese woman, who attempted to commit suicide by hanging because she was under the influence of an evil spirit, was brought before the Singapore magistrate. She was ordered to be sent for observation.

SPECIAL CABLE.

MR. R. GUBBAY.

FUNERAL AT SINGAPORE YESTERDAY.

SINGAPORE, December 1.

Mr. Raphael Gubbay, the well-known Hongkong real-estate agent who died on the "Nagasaki Maru," outward bound for Hongkong, was buried here yesterday.

P. AND O. FARES.

REDUCED RATES ANNOUNCED.

London, November 30.

The Peninsular and Oriental Co. announces a schedule of reduced passage rates which operates from December 1.

Messrs. MacKinnon, MacKenzie and Co., Hongkong agents for the P. and O. Company, write:—
"We beg to advise, having received telegraphic instructions from the Managing Directors of the P. and O. Company in London, that on and after the 1st inst. the revised rates of passage money shown on the attached sheet are to come into force."

It will be noticed that substantial reductions have been made to all ports, the first and second class single fares to London now being £120 and £36 respectively, against the former rates of £148 and £106 while the rates to Singapore, Colombo and Bombay are now quoted at £18 14s and £48 1st class, and £14 12s and £28 second class respectively."

REVISED RATES FROM HONGKONG.

To	Single	Return	Single	Return
London	A 120 210.	85 150 10.	B 114 199 10.	80 140.
Marseilles	A 112 190.	82 143 10.	B 106 185 10.	76 133.
Port Said	A 102 178 10.	74 129 10.	B 96 168.	68 119.
Aden	56 98.	42 73 10.		
Bombay	48 84.	36 60.		
Colombo	44 77.	28 45 10.		
Fremantle	40 140.	27 54 10.		
Adelaide	32 143 10.	55 98.		
Melbourne	34 117.	58 101 10.		
Sydney	36 150 10.	60 105.		
Penang	21 36 15.	15 25 5.		
Singapore	18 31 10.	14 24 10.		

(*Via Colombo).

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

On inquiry to-day it was learned that the condition of the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, who recently entered the Peak Hospital suffering from influenza, is improving.

Approximately a ton of ammunition was discovered hidden in the bunkers of the Blue Funnel s.s. "Achilles" when she arrived in Shanghai on her way to Hongkong. The second fireman was arrested and handed over to the Chinese authorities.

According to the Ping Man News Agency, the American vice-consul at Hankow (Mr. J. O. Huston), who is on his way to Canton by way of Changsha, Siangtan, Hengyang, and Shichow, has not been heard from, although he left Changsha on October 23.

Advertisements have appeared in the local Chinese press inviting tenders for the reclamation work at North Point. It will be recalled that the fore-shore, which was previously the public bathing beach was purchased by Mr. Kwok Tsun-yung, a prominent Java sugar merchant, for erecting a sugar refinery. Apparently the first part of the work will soon be put in hand.

A foreign missionary anniversary begins at the Hongkong Wesleyan Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai, on Sunday when there will be a missionary sermon at 6 p.m. A public tea will take place at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, followed by a missionary meeting at 7 p.m. The speaker on these occasions will be Mr. Siz, headmaster of Canton Christian College. Tickets for the tea will cost 30 cents.

Mr. W. Somerset Maugham, whose play, *East of Suez*, is now running with great success at His Majesty's Theatre, London, and in New York, arrived in Shanghai recently by the Yokohama from Ceylon where he had spent a fortnight. He left London three or four days after the successful production of *East of Suez* and is in Burma to fulfil a long-standing ambition, to visit the "Shan States" on both sides of the Salween and make his way into Siam from Keng Tung.

CHINA'S LITTLE WARS.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE STORM CENTRES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, Dec. 1.

A merchant returning from Chuen Chow in Fukien states that the pro-Sun troops under Hsu Shung-chi are to make a determined attempt to re-enter Kwangtung. The main camp is at Mu Ping and here large quantities of war material, stores, provisions, &c. are being assembled. Instead of coming directly south, Hsu's troops have made a salient in a south-westerly direction. Some of the Cantonese leaders anticipate that Hsu will ultimately attack via Namhung Pass. If the forecast is correct, Hsu will have to proceed to Shikwan on the North River. It will be recalled that he retreated from there after the campaign in June and July. Others think that his movement towards Namhung is only a feint to divert General Chen's troops in the East. However, with their main base at Mu Ping, which is the centre of the semi-circle, Hsu can rush reinforcements to any part of his line.

SUN YAT-SEN'S BIPLANES. Advice has reached Canton to the effect that Dr. Sun has purchased six biplanes which have arrived at Fochow. Ju Chok-man, one time Director of the Arsenal, has been appointed chief of the Aeronautics Bureau. The machines are being fitted out for despatch to the front where they will operate in pairs.

KWANGSI FIGHTING. The internecine strife in Kwangsi is becoming more complicated than ever. Kwangtung troops are engaged in repelling the Yunnan invaders. Reports have reached Canton that fighting has broken out near Nanning amongst several native factions. The details are very meagre but it has been ascertained that some of Lu Yung-ting's subordinates have combined to drive him out of Liuchow.

"SUI AN" CLAIMS.

CANTON VERNAICULAR PAPERS' COMMENT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Dec. 1.

Canton vernacular papers state that complications may arise in connection with the claim to be made regarding the "Sui An" piracy. It is argued that the "Sui An" is a British ship, the robbers embarked at Hongkong and pirated the ship when she sailed from Macao. They ultimately left in Chinese territory. Some of the papers assert that the Kwangtung government can only be responsible to the extent of doing everything possible to round up the pirates.

NOVEMBER RAINFALL.

Following is a record of the rainfall during November at the Botanic Gardens.

DATE.	INCHES.
1st.	—
2nd.	—
3rd.	—
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23rd.	—
24th.	—
25th.	—
26th.	—
27th.	—
28th.	—
29th.	—
30th.	—
Total.	64 inches

WHEN CHILDREN GRIND THEIR TEETH IN SLEEP

It is almost always a sign of worms. Other indications are irregular appetite, bad breath, pain and swelling of the abdomen, irritation in the nose. Baby's Own Tablets, the Canadian children's remedy, given for a few days, destroy worms, and a marked improvement in appetite and general health speedily results. Guaranteed free from opiate and absolutely harmless even to the youngest child. Baby's Own Tablets are a remedy for infantile indigestion, constipation, colic, simple fever, diarrhoea and teething troubles. Obtainable from chemists, or post free at 6 cents the box from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 99 Sechen Road, Shanghai.

COMMERCIAL.

LATEST HONGKONG SUGAR PRICES.

Sugar prices have advanced considerably during the last few days in the local market. This is partly due to Java exchange having fallen. A Japanese firm has been buying for export and several Nam Pak Hong firms who usually import the commodity for sale here, have purchased to a large extent from other importers. Advice has also reached the Colony to the effect that prices have gone up in Cuba with the result that Java prices have also gone up. Messrs. Kien Tjiang Han shipped 10,000 bags to a foreign port on Wednesday and another lot is going to-day. The demand is practically confined to Rough Whites and there has not been much activity in other grades. This morning's quotations are as follows, viz:

No. 24 Rough White	\$10.55.
No. 24 Fine White	\$10.65.
No. 18 Rough Brown	\$9.20.
Brown Sugar	\$7.70.

RICE. There has been very little activity in the rice market and prices have receded. The principle quotations are:

No. 1 Siam	\$7.80.
Medium	\$7.50.
No. 2	\$6.40.
No. 1 Saigon	\$6.20.
Medium	\$6.60.

FLOUR.

The recent improvement in the local flour market has not been sustained and business is comparatively dull. "Sperry's XXX" has been quoted at \$3.60, "White Green" at \$2.80 and "Dayton" at \$2.70.

CHINESE CONTRACTS.

SUGAR MARKET CONDITIONS.

Sugar is usually bought and sold in Nam Pak Hong on the following conditions, i.e. for spot goods:—
Clearance within one month; cash on delivery; net weights, i.e. tare is deducted usually 2 1/2 lbs. per bag; storage on goods not cleared within specified time, to be charged to buyer; the buyer pays the seller 2% commission and 5 cents per picul for delivery into lighter; the seller allows 1% for cash also 1% per cent trade discount, known as "premium on notes." The quality is determined by a sample drawn from the godown and the contract quotes the same particulars as on the sampling order. Prices are per picul of 133.1/3 lbs.

"FLOUR-GUILD TERMS."

Flour is dealt in under what is known as "Flour Guild Terms." They stipulate clearance in a month, otherwise overdue expenses to be charged at 3 1/2 cents per sack per month. It is sold in standard sacks of 50 lbs. according to brand. The buyer pays the seller 2% commission and 1 1/2 cents per sack for delivery into lighter. The seller allows 1% for cash and a trade discount of 1%.

RICE CHARGES.

Rice is dealt in according to gross weights, i.e. the burlap gunny is reckoned as rice. Clearance has to be effected in a month. Cash against delivery for which 1 per cent is allowed by the seller. Buyers have to pay 2 per cent commission to the sellers, but they get in return 2 per cent trade discount. For Siam Rice, if the buyer takes delivery ex ship, he pays a delivery charge of 1 cent per picul. If he buys ex-godown he pays 3 cents a picul for delivery into lighter. The seller gives a gratuity of 30 lbs. per 100 bags for samples. In the case of Saigon Rice delivery ex-godown is also at 3 cents per picul and ex-ship it is 1 1/2 cents, but the seller has to find a suitable junk for the buyer who pays the hire himself. The cumshag for samples is only 20 lbs. per 100 bags. To-day and Yeungkong Rice is never sold ex-ship; it is invariably delivered ex-godown at 4 cents per picul but the gratuity for samples is 40 lbs.

"NINETEEN EIGHT FIRM."

It may seem strange that a buyer should pay a seller commission and expenses and then deduct practically the equivalent in cash and "trade" discounts. This is because the majority of our big Chinese wholesale houses only act as intermediaries and are known as "Kau Pat Hong" meaning "Nineteen-eight firms." The reason for this is that 3 per cent commission is charged by the firm—really commission agents—and only 98 per cent is paid to the principals. The so-called "delivery expenses" rarely accrue to the firm; they go to swell the employees' bonus, which is usually divided at the end of the year in various proportions in the ratio of responsibility.

NOTHING AGAINST HIM

A DEFENDANT'S DISCHARGE.

SOLICITOR'S WARM WORDS.

Wan Ko, the paint scraping contractor who had been in custody for some time on a charge of having shot at and wounded another Chinese in the course of an affray in a tea-house in Queen's Road Central, was this morning discharged by Mr. J. R. Wood, the prosecution offering no evidence.

There were present in Court this morning, Mr. A. E. Hall, solicitor for the prosecution; Mr. H. L. Denny, the defendant's solicitor; Mr. E.D.C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police; and Detective Inspector Willis, the officer in charge of the case.

As soon as all the parties concerned in the case, excepting the complainant, who is still in hospital, had gathered in the Court, the Magistrate asked Mr. Hall if he had any evidence to offer against the defendant.

Mr. Hall: Your Worship, I have no further instructions to proceed against the defendant.

Magistrate: You are withdrawing from the case?

Mr. Hall: Yes.

Magistrate (to the C.S.P.): Mr. Wolfe, have you seen the statement made by the complainant?

Mr. Wolfe: Yes.

Magistrate: You have. Then what do you propose to do?

Mr. Wolfe: I don't propose to offer any evidence.

Magistrate (to defendant): Then you are discharged.

MR. DENNY'S PROTEST.

When Wan Ko was brought up on remand yesterday afternoon, a discussion arose between the Magistrate and Mr. Denny over an application made by the latter for the defendant's discharge.

It appeared that the Captain Superintendent of Police and Mr. Hall were both of the opinion that the defendant's action was justifiable on the grounds of self-defence, and Mr. Denny's application was made in view of the prosecution's attitude in the matter. The Magistrate would not agree to this, and some lively words followed.

At the outset Mr. Wood asked Inspector Willis if the Police had any objection to the charge being withdrawn.

Inspector Willis said they were willing for the case to be withdrawn.

Mr. Denny then addressed the Court. He said: The Police have no objection to this case being withdrawn; the private solicitors for the prosecution have been through the statements for the prosecution. They do not feel justified in proceeding with the case, and have accordingly withdrawn from the case. Neither the Police nor the private prosecutor wish to proceed. Therefore, I can conceive of no reason why the defendant should be called upon for further expense or damage when the prosecution admits that the man was justified. You are asking me to consent to a suggestion that this man should be remanded again, although there is no reason for it, your Worship. I am speaking very strongly on this matter. Never have I heard of a case where the prosecution has withdrawn and the Magistrate has suggested without any reason that the man should be further damaged. It is a proposition which I very much regret your Worship has put before this Court. I can only ask your Worship to discharge this man. If he is not discharged to-day the necessary steps will be taken.

The Magistrate: Mr. Hall is not here.

Mr. Denny: Mr. Hall has withdrawn from the case and naturally is not here and will not attend. He has notified your Worship and his word, as a man, representing the complainant, binds.

The Magistrate (quietly): Mr. Hall is not here.

Mr. Denny: Because the prosecution is not here, do you mean to say you are not going to take the word of a man? He has notified me that he has withdrawn from the case.

The Magistrate (for the third time): Mr. Hall is not here.

Mr. Denny (angrily): For the reason that the prosecution does not intend you to damage the defendant?

The Magistrate: Please keep quiet, Mr. Denny. Mr. Hall has not attended and the next remand will be until 10 a.m. to-morrow morning. The bail will be reduced to \$500. In the meantime, I will instruct Inspector Willis to attend hospital and take the complainant's statement. This man is still in hospital, and according to the Doctor, will be in hospital until about December 11. When I have seen the man's statement—

Mr. Denny: I trust your Worship will register my very strong objection.

The Magistrate (sternly): Mr. Denny, please do not interrupt. Continuing, his Worship said: When I have seen that statement and

ITALIAN CONVENT.

ANNUAL BAZAAR TO-MORROW.

The annual bazaar of the Italian Convent, in aid of the orphans and the aged and invalids of the institution open in the grounds of the Convent in China Road, to-morrow and will continue until Sunday. The fair will commence each day at 10 a.m., and the opening ceremony to-morrow will be performed by Mrs. Cland Fornen.

As in former years, the bazaar offers many attractions for children as well as grown-ups and there will be a splendid opportunity for those who attend the fair to secure attractive toys for their Christmas trees, and at the same time have the satisfaction of knowing that they are helping a deserving cause with every dollar they spend. The amount of charity done by the Italian Convent is proverbial, and the hundreds of orphaned children of all ages, and the aged and invalids who are under the care of the Convent nuns, deserve all the help one can give.

All the things that are dear to the hearts of the young folks will be found at the fair. There will be a lucky draw, fishing pond, star shooting, ball shooting, and many stalls set apart to cater solely for the little ones. These will be laden with toys of every description—dolls, dolls' clothes, sweets and confectionery will be obtainable in abundance, and it will be possible to have afternoon tea in the fair grounds. For the adults, there is a large variety of useful articles such as ladies' dresses and underwear, children's frocks, woolen singlets, socks, slippers, table covers, handkerchiefs, cushions and fancy articles, made by the orphans themselves, photo-frames, ornaments etc. to be had. Not a single cent will be spent at the fair without value being received for it. Even the admission tickets purchased at the gate will entitle the holder to a sovereign.

"SUI AN" INQUIRY.

COMMISSIONER'S FIRST SITTING MONDAY.

The "Sui An" piracy commission holds a public examination of witnesses in the Council Chamber on Monday afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

Booking opened briskly at Montie's this morning for the A.D.C.'s Christmas Production of "The Tempest." People are advised to book their seats early in order to secure good ones.

The official funeral of General Kwan Kwok-hung of the Kwangtung Army will take place in Canton on Tuesday, with full military honours, near the Provincial Assembly outside the Great East Gate. The late General Kwan had been identified with the Kwangtung movement for a number of years, first attaining fame as Commander of Civil Governor Chu Hing Lan's bodyguards. He assisted General Chen Ching-ming in the campaign that deposed the Kwangsi Tchuans and was then despatched to join the Kwangsi Expedition. Later on he received instructions from Dr. Sun to bring his troops back to Kwangtung to augment the Northern Expedition and his old Chi Hsu Shung-chi. The Sun-Chen trouble broke out when he reached Wuohow and he took no part in the recent fighting. After General Chen's return he was promoted commander of the 4th Division. There have been rumours of his not having the confidence of General Chen owing to his previous connection with Hsu Shung-chi.

With the undelivered letters lying near him, John Syrett, a rural poetman, was found dead in the street of Tottenham, near Danubie, Bedfordshire. At the inquest his daughter said he was 65 and had to walk a daily round of six miles. A verdict of Death from Heart Failure was returned.

I have satisfied myself that the man himself—the complainant—consents to this application for the defendant's discharge. I will see to it. I cannot consent at the present time, unless Mr. Hall is here. The defendant is remanded until to-morrow morning.

Mr. Denny again repeated his request that his objection be registered on the depositions.

The Magistrate said that as the prosecution had not withdrawn he could not register the objection.

Mr. Denny rose to speak again, when his Worship rose from the bench, stating as he did so, that the case was remanded until the following morning.

FOOTBALL.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

TO-MORROW'S GAMES.

The following games are down to be played to-morrow—
FIRST DIVISION.
 Tamar v. Ambrose. Navy "A" ground.
 Tamar v. South China. Navy "B" ground.
 Club v. R.G.A. Club ground.
 Kowloon v. Hawkins. Kowloon (Hueghom) ground.
 Police v. Carlisle. South China ground.
 Kick off at 4 p.m. sharp.
 King's v. Durban. Sookumpop "A" ground.
 Kick off at 3 p.m. sharp.

SECOND DIVISION.

Kowloon v. Carlisle. Kowloon (Hueghom) ground.
 United v. King's. United ground.
 South China "A" v. Marazion Sookumpop "B" ground.
 St. Joseph's v. South China "B" St. Joseph's ground.
 Hawkins v. Police. Club ground.
 Auxiliaries v. University. Navy "A" ground.
 Ambrose v. Tamar. Navy "B" ground.
 Kick off at 2.30 p.m. sharp.
 R.G.A. v. Durban. St. Joseph's ground.
 Kick off at 4 p.m. sharp.

Owing to the withdrawal of the Drapach from both Divisions of the League, some of the fixtures and times of starting have been altered. Secretaries of Clubs should note the alteration.

The official times for starting for December are a quarter of an hour earlier than previously. This should also be noted.

Tamar meet Ambrose on Navy "A." The former are still making changes in the team. The Ambrose will play the same team that defeated the Tamar last week. A fast game should be seen with the result a draw.

The Chinese meet the Tamar. The latter have a well balanced team, and should give the Athletic a good run. The latter's defeat at the hands of De-jach last Saturday came as a big surprise to many. Their opponents to-morrow are not likely to repeat the performance. A win for the Chinese is expected.

The Club-R. G. A. game should be interesting. The former have struck a bad patch through injuries and illness to their players, but with the return of Stewart and Gerard to the team to-morrow they should give the Gunners a good game and I should not be surprised if they take the points.

Kowloon are at home to the Flagship on their new ground at Hueghom. They were without a match last week owing to the late arrival of the Durban in port. The Flagship played a good game against the police last week, and should have won, but they found Sean on the top of his form. They should, I think, prove too good for the Peninsular boys.

Should the Police be able to field their usual forward line to-morrow, they should, I think, obtain their first win. Their defence has been strengthened by the inclusion of Clark at right back and the return of Forber at centre half. They lack wing forwards and until they get them I am afraid their attack will always be weak. Carlisle went down last week to the Club who had rather a poor team out. They will have to do much better to-morrow even to share the points, but, as I said above, I rather fancy the Police will win.

The Durban-King's match takes place at Sookumpop at 3 p.m., and not 4 p.m. This is owing to a rugby match being played on that ground at 4.30 p.m. I expect the King's to secure the points in this game.

There are eight Second Division games for to-morrow, one of which the R.G.A.—Durban will be played on the St. Joseph's ground at 4 p.m. The result should be a win for the Gunners.

Kowloon are at home to the Carlisle, and a very even game should see the points divided.

The United-King's should be a game worth watching. Both are in the running for top place and to-morrow's game might be the deciding factor. On the play of the two teams I should think the Soldiers would win.

The Chinese "A" team meet the Marazion and a win for the latter is expected. Hawkins should beat the Police, but the latter might copy the example of their first team and make a draw of it.

REVENUE OFFICER'S REVOLVER.

MR. SMITH EXPLAINS.

NOMINAL FINE IMPOSED.

A nominal fine of \$10 was imposed by Mr. R. E. Lindell on a Chinese revenue officer named Ko Tak, who was charged with having in his possession a revolver and a belt containing 26 rounds of ammunition. Sub Inspector Pincott conducted the prosecution and Mr. N. L. Smith, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, was present at the hearing. Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared for the defendant.

When the defendant was first produced in Court some time ago, it was mentioned by the police that all arms had been withdrawn from Chinese revenue officers and they had been warned not to possess private revolvers. The revolver in question was discovered in the revenue officers' quarters at Yau-mat, and the defendant claimed it as his.

Mr. Brutton said that there were many reasons which justified the defendant in having the revolver. It was given to him by a Revenue Officer and defendant had a permit from Mr. Smith to carry it.

Mr. Smith said that as the police had executed a warrant he thought nothing could be done but to charge the defendant. He could have dealt with the man departmentally, but, as the police had already proceeded to act, he could not keep the matter dark. Mr. Smith admitted that he had given the defendant permission to carry arms in the course of his duty.

The Magistrate: Have you power to authorise him without a licence by the Police?

Mr. Smith: I don't know about that. Revenue Officers have carried arms and they have power to carry them in the course of their duties. What I did was to tighten-up matters and that was done by making a careful check of all revolvers issued to them and I gave orders that they should not carry them on private business.

The Magistrate: Like the Police?

Mr. Smith: Somewhat like the Police, but I don't think it was quite so stringent. Last year when I took over the Department they had a miscellaneous collection of fire-arms.

The Magistrate: As far as you are concerned, this man is entitled to carry a revolver in the course of his duties?

Mr. Smith: Yes, a Government revolver, but not this one.

Mr. Smith added that he believed it was quite true this revolver had been given to the defendant by the late Mr. Wilden, but he should have reported it.

Replying to the Magistrate, Inspector Pincott said it was not the police view that defendant carried this revolver for an unlawful purpose.

Mr. Brutton then pleaded guilty to a technical offence. The revolver had been given to his client by Mr. Wilden for duty on the launches, and it had been kept in the Yau-mat Revenue Officers' Quarters and also in the Hongkong Revenue Officers' Quarters.

The Magistrate remarked that it looked like a case of private spite on the part of the person who gave information to the police on the matter.

Inspector Pincott: Possibly, we have no means of proving it. I should say it is, on the face of it.

Speaking as to the defendant's character, Mr. Smith said the defendant's record was quite clean. The man had been with the Department since it started. He was an old friend of the late Mr. Wilden's.

The Magistrate: I think a fine of \$10 will meet the case.

The St. Joseph's—hence "B" should end in a draw. The University should beat the Auxiliaries, and I rather fancy the Ambrose second string will be too good for the Tamar.

I am unable to refer to the incident between the referee and one of the Drapach players last Saturday as I understand the matter was referred to the Referees' Board who will submit their recommendations to the next meeting of the Association, which, I am told, will take place on Friday December 8, at 5 p.m. in the Recreation Room, Victoria Barracks.

The England v. Scotland match will take place on the Club ground at 4 p.m. on Boxing Day, December 26. The following officials have been appointed—Referee, Mr. Smith; Linesmen, Messrs. McCabbin (Scotland) and Williams (England).

FULL COURT.

TO SIT NEXT WEEK.

A sitting of the Full Court is to take place next Wednesday. Mr. Justice Skinner Turner, of Shanghai, who is returning from leave by the s.s. "Kamo Maru," will break his journey here and join the Chief Justice (Sir William Ross Davies K. C.) and Mr. Justice Compertz on the bench. The case to be heard is an appeal by Mr. H. M. H. Nemazeo against an order by the Chief Justice, dated August 5, 1922, allowing execution to be issued on an arbitration award. The respondents are the "Yu Fong Steamship Company."

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It should first be made clear that the two loans are quite distinct in character, though both have been arranged by the London & Syndicate Bank. One is for municipal improvements in Canton City. It is the kind of loan that could readily be raised by any prosperous city in the world. There is practically no risk unless the municipal works proposed should be carried out so corruptly as to raise the capital cost quite out of reason. That risk must be recognised, though it is infinitely less in the case of a municipality such as Canton, largely under the control of shrewd merchants, than in the case of a Chinese national loan. The municipal revenues are pledged to the extent of 3 per cent. to make good any possible loss on the operation of the tramways, waterworks, etc., to be constructed with the loan funds, but this guarantee is probably merely a formality, as business like operation of the works is fairly assured by the provision that the chief engineers and chief accountant are to be European or American. The net yield of the loan is to be at least £1,750,000. Of this sum 45 per cent. is to be used for an electric tramway system of 11 miles for Canton City; 35 per cent. for waterworks and 20 per cent. for an improved telephone system. The demand for a good tram service in Canton is obvious. The fine new boulevards of this comparatively wealthy city, with a population estimated at a million and a half, are served only by rickshaws and antiquated motor buses which have almost destroyed road surfaces whenever they run. One can hardly doubt that the tram will pay a good profit in itself, as they are run for profit. The municipality may choose, as others do, to provide cheap transport to the poor, but it is not likely to jeopardise its loan payment on that account. The new water works should also pay well unless an unduly large sum has to be paid to buy out the private concern which now serves the

On the other hand the second loan of £2,000,000 is of a most questionable character. It is to be advanced to the Canton Provincial Government by the same Anglo French China Syndicate. The purpose is currency reform—that is, to provide metallic backing for the large amounts of depreciated paper money now circulating in the province. If a loan were deliberately proposed for purposes of currency inflation, it would be condemned at once. But it is little better to borrow for inflation after the fact. Such a transaction opens the way for unlimited corruption. It is reported that some part of the loan has already been advanced. It seems hardly credible that financiers would risk their funds in such a venture, unless they hope to give it respectability by linking it with the Canton municipal loan. It is natural that both Peking and the Sun Yat sen party should be exceedingly suspicious of this Canton provincial currency loan. A statement of the official British attitude towards it would be largely: As for the municipal loan, it is no official backing and is very much better without it.

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These children were born in China and have travelled in India, Siberia, the Philippines, Australia and America. Jessica has traveled more than 170,000 miles, according to her mother, who greeted them at the pier when they arrived in San Francisco from Sydney.



This is the latest portrait of Princess Hermine of Prussia, who married the ex-Kaiser, and assumed the fictitious title of Queen Wilhelmina of Prussia.



Princess Hermine and her children. Here she is with her family.



Mrs. W. H. Felton, called the "Grand Old Lady of Georgia," is shown here receiving from Governor Thomas Hardwick her commission as U.S. Senator to fill the un-expired term of the late Senator Thomas E. Watson. She is the first woman ever sent to the Senate.



Louis Buitenkant
The first American citizen to return to the United States from Smyrna, with a thrilling story of his experiences there, there is Louis Buitenkant, a New York violinist, who was caught while on a concert tour of the world.



Czar Boris, of Bulgaria, who hopes soon to visit America, is not averse to mixing in an American girl, but says the union must be for love.



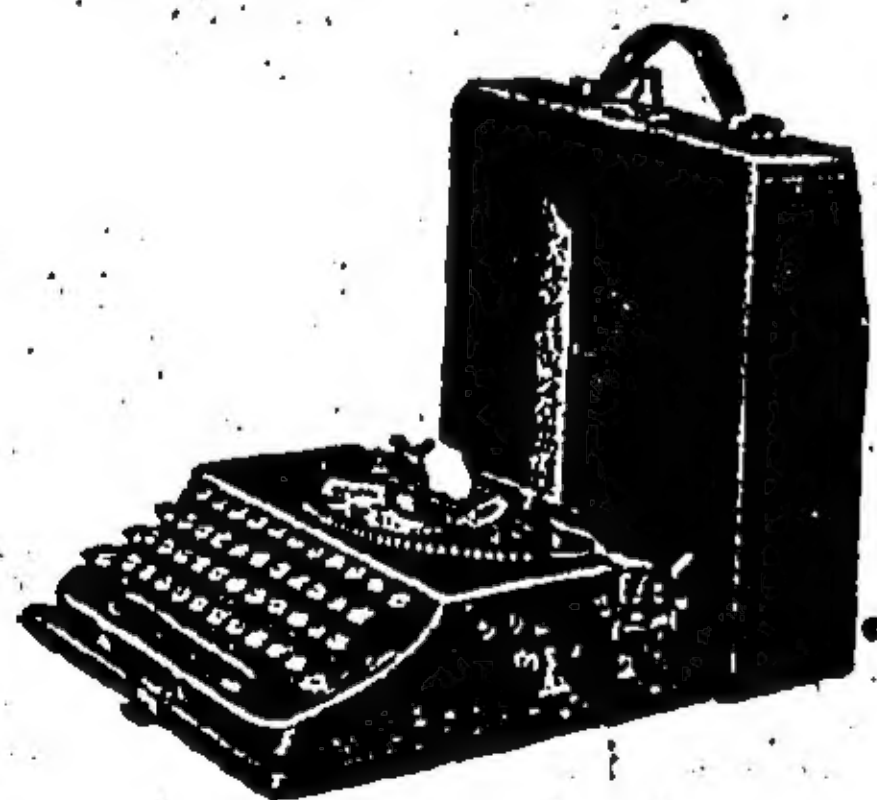
She was recently reported to have been drowned in America but is still alive.



Beautiful Mrs. Onozima de Bouchell, of New Orleans, whose intention to marry Asa G. Candler, Coca Cola King, of Atlanta, Ga., and probably the South's richest man, has been broken by the latter, his is a remarkable statement, demanding that Candler name the two men who accused her. He has steadfastly declined to do so.



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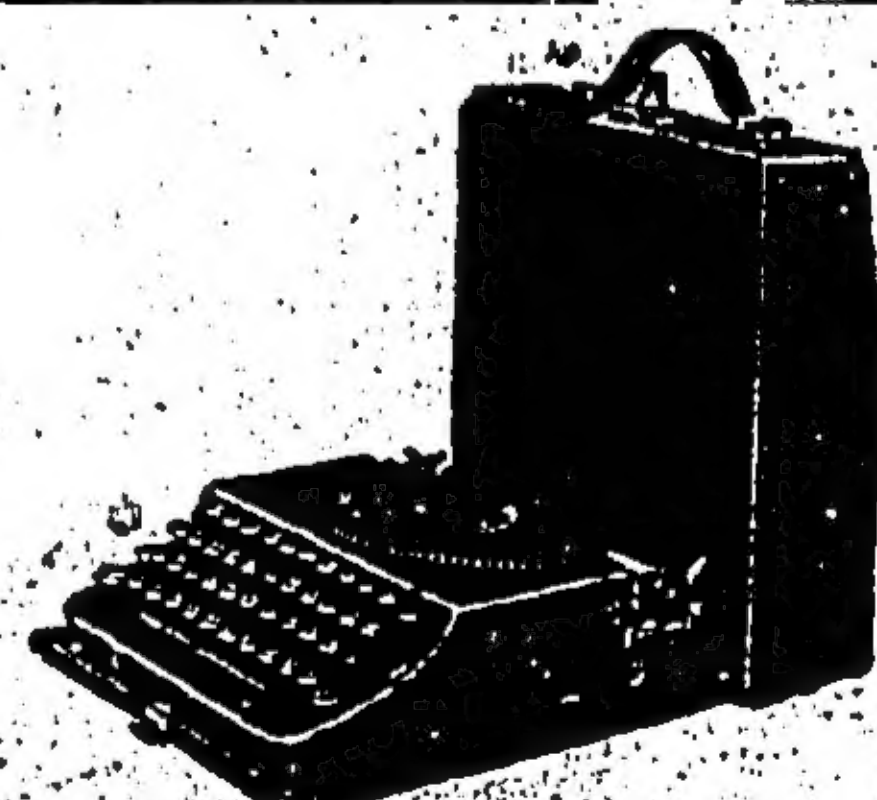
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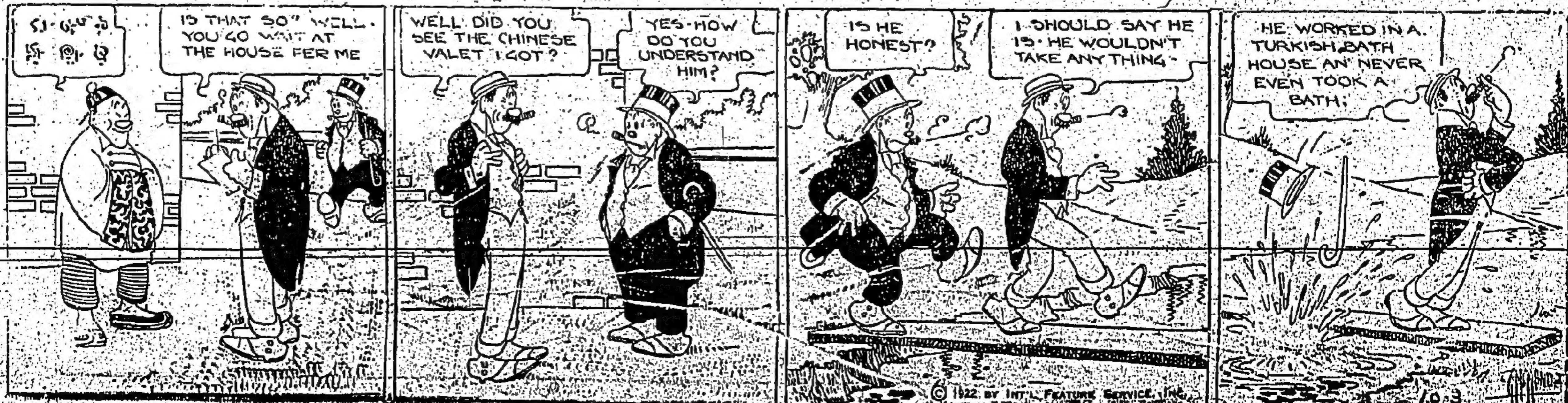


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Polee (Hung Shun) from Kwong
 Chow Wan.—Co's Wharf.

Unio, (A.P.C.) from Fusan.—Kow-
 loon Bay.

Undan, (A.P.C.) from Balikpapan,
 Singapore.—Kowloon Bay.

Szechuen, (B. & S.) from Canton.—
 B8.

Talhybius, (B. & S.) from Van-
 couver, Kuchinotau.—Naval Buoy.

Kwanchow, (B. & S.) from
 Bangkok, Swatow.—B11.

Amakusa, (O.S.K.) from
 Keelung, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.

Sochu Maru, (O.S.K.) from Takao
 Swatow.—Co's Wharf.

Haitan, (Man Wing) from Hai-
 phong, Hoihow.—B13.

Saichon, (Yue Woo) from Swatow.
 —C43.

Cheongshing, (J.M. & Co.) from
 Canton.—C35.

Jade, (Kai Yu) from Haiphong,
 Fakhai.—C19.

Van Cloon, (J.O.J.L.) from Deli,
 Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.

Fenia Maru, (T.K.K.) from Osaka
 Dairen.—A3.

Hirano Maru, (Suzuki & Co.) from
 Keelung.—C48.

Hok Canton, (Heung On) from
 Fort Bayard.—Co's Wharf.

DEPARTURES.

Tjinalak, (J.O.J.L.) for Batavia.
 —November 30.

Sochu Maru, (O.S.K.) for Canton.
 —November 30.

Uwajima Maru, (Y.K.K.) for Takao.
 —November 30.

Tenno Maru, (Kwong Nguan Seng)
 for Haiphong.—December 1.

Demodocou, (B. & S.) for Glasgow,
 Singapore.—December 1.

Kawachi Maru, (N.Y.K.) for
 Buenos Aires, Singapore.—December
 1.

Chongwa, (Hingle & Co.) for
 Canton.—December 1.

Saichon, (Yue Woo) for Quinhon,
 Hoihow.—December 1.

Fong Tong, (C. & Clarke) for
 Bangkok.—December 2.

Szechuen, (B. & S.) for Tsingtao,
 Shanghai.—December 2.

Cheongshing, (J.M. & Co.) for
 Tientsin.—December 2.

Lady Elles, wife of Colonel Sir Hugh
 Elles, commandant of the Tank Corps,
 and commander of the Tanks on the
 Western Front in the war, has died.

A memorial tablet to the late Lord
 Roberts was unveiled at the house in
 the Rue Carnot, St. Omar, where the
 field marshal died in 1914.

A special fee of 2d. per oz. in
 addition to the ordinary postage will
 be charged for the air mail service
 from London to Brussels and Cologne.

St. John's Parish, Hampstead, has
 been constituted a new petty sessional
 division of the County of London
 under the name of Hampstead
 Division, as from January 3 next.

The Imperial War Graves and
 Registration Commission has bought
 for £1 650 the section of Cologne
 Cemetery in which prisoners of war
 and the dead of the Army of Occupation
 are buried.

A young man charged with a minor
 offence in the police court at Dunkirk
 was sentenced to one month's impris-
 onment, and was so affected that he
 dropped dead as he was being taken out.

Lieut. Col. H. A. St. John-Mildmay,
 who served in the Rifle Brigade in the
 Crimean campaign of 1855, died at
 his house, 21, Gloucester-street,
 Belgrave-road, S.W., aged 85.

The owners of the German steamer
 "Eliza" now at Antwerp, have been
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 Shanghai, Japan and U.S.A., Froa Jackson

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6.

Australia and Manila Victoria
 Friday, December 8.

Saturday, December 9.

Wednesday, December 14.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1.

Wachow and Samshoi
 Shanghai, Szechuen, Fort Bayard

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2.

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 via VICTORIA, B.C.—due VICTORIA,
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Sunday, December 3.

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 Swatow, Amoy and Keelung

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